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Sir:

Applicant requests a three-month extension of time from September 19, 2008 to December 19, 2008 and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor, and any additional fee that may be due, to our deposit account in accordance with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 19, 2008, and in conjunction with the RCE filed herewith, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.